In claim 18, please delete "any preceding" and insert
after "claim", --1--;

In claim 20, please delete "any preceding" and insert
after "claim", --1--;

In claim 21, please delete "any preceding" and insert
after "claim", --1--;

In claim 23, please delete "or 22";

In claim 24, please delete "any preceding" and insert
after "claim", --1--;

In claim 26, please delete "any preceding" and insert
after "claim", --1--;

## REMARKS

Applicants have preliminarily amended the application to remove multiple dependency. The Examiner is urged to enter the amendment and examine the new claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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